In addition to the above, 13 trains in each direction are also serving different sub-sections between Delhi/New Delhi and Jakhal. The above services are considered adequate to cater to the needs of the passengers of this section.

Introduction of New Trains in S. C. Railways

2987. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to introduce new trains in S. C. Railways; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) and (b). Introduction of new trains is a continuous process on indian Railways subject to the traffic justification, operational feasibility and availability of resources.

Justice J. J. Ojha Commission's report on Konkan Railway Project

2988. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work under Konkan Railway Project has been resumed in accordance with the Justice J. J. Ojha Commission's Report and the objections earlier raised by the Catholic Church with regard to the stretch between Mage and Balibe covered; and

(b) what are the details of the present stage of the project and by when it is proposed to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 115 kms. of the total of 760 kms. of the Project has been opened to passenger traffic and the overall average weighted progress is 52%. The target date for completion is 31st March, 1995 subject to availability of resources.

Short fall in goods traffic

2989. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATARMAN:
SHRI MISA R. GANESHAN:
SHRI J. S. RAJU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that goods traffic in Railways has considerably slackened due to Road transport as well as exhorbitant freight rates in Railways;

(b) what was the total income of goods traffic in Railways in 1990, 1991, 1992, and 1993; and

(c) whether Government have taken steps to whip up the goods traffic as it was some time back to reduce loss of income to Railways;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The total goods income during the years are as under:—

1989-90=Rs. 7624 crores

1990-91=Rs. 8408 crores

1991-92=Rs. 9462 crores

1992-93=Rs. 10903 crores

(c) The user departments have been requested to offer traffic according to original projections and targets. There is improvement in demand for some commodities like fertilizers, cement etc. and efforts are being made to meet the demand in full.

Running of Super Fast Trains

2990. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of new super fast trains which would be enforced to operate on Railway network;

(b) what is the state-wise number of

proposals representations received by Government to introduce new Super Fast trains during the year 1993;

(c) the number of demands considered by Government so far;

(d) the States which are not included for new super fast train connections so far in 1993; and

(e) what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) (a) Introduction of new trains including Super fast trains is a continuous process on the Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility and resource availability.

(b) and (c). A very large number of demands for new trains etc. are received from various sources at different levels of Railway administration. These demands are duly examined and action as found feasible and justified is taken. However, statistics of such demands are not maintained.

(d) and (e). The trains are not introduced State-wise.

Proposal to Open Computerised Reservation Centres in Gujarat

2991. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal to open new computerised reservation centres at Gandhigram, Maninagar, Gandhinagar in the State of Gujarat in view of very heavy rush at Ahmedabad railway station;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) by when it would be established in above stations in Gujarat State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) (a) to (c). The computerised passenger reservation terminals have been provided at Gandhigram, Gandhinagar and Maninagar.

Utilization of Sanctioned Amount in Five Divisions of SC Railway

2992. SHRI J. P. JAVALI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of budget sanction for developmental works and broadguage conversions in South Central Railway during the year 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1992-93;

(b) what are the details of utilisation of sanctioned amounts in each of the five Divisions of S.C. Railway;

(c) whether any sanctioned amounts lapsed in any of the five Divisions and whether such lapsed amounts were diverted to one or the other Divisions within S. C. Railway; and

(d) if so, what are details thereof and reasons for lapse and diversion of the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Privatisation of Docks

2993. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to privatise the Docks of Jawaharlal Nehru Port of Bombay;

(b) whether similar decisions have been taken for the Docks of other ports also; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) It has been decided, in princile, to privatise the Container